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SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING - SEPTEMBER 9
REF: STATE 211559
FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPS
FROM DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING FOR SEPTEMBER 9, 1977.
FYI ONLY, SPOKESMAN TODAY WAS HODDING CARTER III.

Q: WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU HAVE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION ON
THE FRENCH DECISION TO PROCEED WITH THE SALE OF THE NUCLEAR
CAPACIY FOR PAKISTAN?

A. I DON'T HAVE ANY PARTICULAR COMMENT ON IT. WE HAD
HOPED TO SEETHE DEFERRAL -- AS MR. NYE SAID HERE THE OTHER
DAY (REFTEL). WE WOULD OF COURSE LIKE TO SEE DEFERRAL OF
SUCH TRANSFERS UNTIL THE END OF THE INTERNATIONAL EVALUA-
TION PROGRAM. AT SOME SUCHTIME WE MIGHT HAVE A BETER CON-
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SENSUS GLOBALLY
ON THE NATURE OF THE NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE.
BUT BEYOND THAT IT IS UP TO THE GOVERNMENTS INVOLVED. WE
ARE NOT THE PARTIES TO THAT AGREEMENT.

Q. DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION NOW THAT SUGGESTS THATTHE RE-
PROCESSING PLAN WILL IN FACT BE CONVEYED BEFORE THE COM-

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PLETION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL EVALUATION PROGRAM?

A. NO. I'M NOT CERTAIN THAT I HAVE AN ABSOLUTELY ACCURATE READING OF WHAT THE FRENCH ANNOUNCEMENT MEANT AND I'M NOT PREPARED TO GO MUCH FURTHER ON THAT.

Q. ARE YOU IN TOUCH WITH THE FRENCH RIGHT NOW TRYING TO CLARIFY EXACTLY WHAT IT IS?

A. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THERE IS UNDOUBTEDLY CONVERSATION GOING ON ON THE SUBJECT. PRECISELY BY WHOM I DO NOT KNOW; BUT I'VE SEEN ENOUGH TRAFFICTO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS CONVERSATION, AT ANY RATE.

Q. WAS THERE ADVANCE NOTICEBY FRANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF ITS LATEST STATEMENT OF FRENCH POSITION?

A. WELL, OF COURSE, FRANCE HAS NEVER PUBLICLY SAID ANY-THING BUTTHAT IT WAS GOINGTO GO FORWARD WITH THIS; AND, THEREFORE, I DON'T THINK THAT THE QUESTION OF ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF THIS AROSE.

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